GENERAL NEWS

The Lesser Events of Last Week.

A great drouth is injuring German crops.

The armored cruiser South Dakota was launched at San Francisco.

General Miles has written a letter of congratulation to Judge Parker.

Joseph W. Folk was nominated for Governor of Missouri by the Democrats.

Hail storms in Connecticut ruined thousands of dollars worth of to-bacco.

The first bale of Georgia new cotton crop was marketed by a negro farmer.

William J. O'Brien, Jr., of Baltimore, was elected Grand Exalted Ruler of the Elks.

A strike of cotton mill employes at Fall River, Mass., is announced to take place July 25th.

President Roosevelt has completed his speech accepting the Republican nomination for President.

Two Americans, whose names are not given, were shot down by officials at Aguas Caliente, Mexico.

In the Iowa Democratic convention the Parker and Hearst men united in naming the ticket.

The weather bureau reports cotton making rapid growth; tobacco continues in promising condition.

According to Government figures the fiscal year ended June 30 broke the record for foreign commerce.

Politicians of both parties are perplexed by the elements of uncertainty which enter into the Presidential campaign.

Mrs. Florence Maybrick, the noted life convict, was freed from English custody on ticket of leave and left for France.

The Cook County (Ill.) Superior Court enjoined striking metal workers from even talking to men who have taken their places.

White bricklayers at the Washington Barracks struck because of the employment of a negro, who, they say, is a non-unionist.

Pressure on Senator Gorman to induce his acceptance of the Democratic National Committee chairmanship continues, but without avail.

The State Department is advised that a revolutionary movement against the Morales government in Santo Domingo is threatened.

The Colorado Miners' Union has asked the Red Cross Society to take charge of the distribution of relief to families of deported miners.

It is believed that President Roosevelt contemplates vigorous measures against Turkey to improve the position of American citizens living in the Turkish empire.

The case of United States Senator Joseph R. Burton, accused of accepting a fee for service before the Postoffice Department, will be reviewed by the United States Supreme Court.

The grand jury at Danville, Va., found indictment against a number of persons for attempting to lynch a negro in jail there charged with murder.

Cotton manufacturers of North and South Carolina, Georgia and Alabama will meet at Greenville, S. C., July 26th to settle the curtailment of production.

Grance sent a note to the Vatican giving notice that all relations with it would be broken unless the demands for the resignations of two bishops be withdrawn.

After a visit by Elihu Root to President Roosevelt at Oyster Bay, it was said he would likely be the Republican candidate for Governor of New York in the fall.

Judge Parker attends an Episcopal church of which his son-in-law is rector and is presumably a member of that Church. Ex-Senator Davis, nominee for Vice-President, has made large donations to the Presbyterian Church of which he is a member.

Theodore H. Price is the principal stockholder of the Utility Cotton Picker Company of New York city, which was incorporated with a capital of \$100,000, to promote inventions and improvements in machines for picking, gathering, harvesting and growing cotton.

The Missouri Democratic platform pledges support to Parker, favors the initiative and referendum, taxation of corporations the same as individuals, the assessment of franchises. the eradication of the granting of railroad passes to legislators and the building of good roads.

The strike of packing-house employes was settled at a conference in Chicago by the packers agreeing to take back all their old employes within a reasonable time. The wages and working conditions of all men who went on strike will be settled by an arbitration board.—Later. The strike is again on (Saturday), the workmen complaining that the packers have refused to take back the union leaders.

A meeting of cotton manufacturers of North Carolina and South Carolina, Georgia and Alabama has been called for July 26th at Greenville, S. C. The meeting is for the purpose of considering the question of improving the price of cotton goods and so formulating measures to relieve the depression existing in the business. Local manufacturers say the conditions at present are worse than for nineteen years.

The statement of appropriations made by the Fifty-Eighth Congress has just been published, showing an imposing total of \$781,000,000, or an increase of \$28,000,000 over those of last year. The postoffice received the lion's share-\$172,000,000; the army \$77,000,000, and the navy twenty million more; and \$138,000,000 was charged to pensions. Inasmuch as agricultural appropriation amounted to some \$6,000,000 it can hardly be claimed that the farmer receives an unduly large share of Government aid.

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